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(SBU) EconUnit Chief delivered refs A and B talking points on August 30 to Ulrike Magloth, Director of the Federal Chancellery's International Economic Affairs Office (GoA lead on OECD issues), encouraging the GoA to support and contribute to the Partnership for Governance (PDG). Magloth said that the GoA continues to have concerns as to the efficacy and utility of the PDG (ref C). The GoA will not join as a founding member, but it will not play a negative role in the development of the entity. According to Magloth, the GoA will monitor the PDG and keep open the option of joining at a later date.

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